(c) the number of such caste Hindu officers?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—(a) One.

(b) Nil.

(c) Eight.

280. Mr. C. V. Kuriyan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of Christian officers in the Land Revenue Department who were drawing a salary of Rs. 100 and above during the administration of Sir T. Vijaya Raghavachari;

(b) the number of such none-caste Hindu officers;

(c) the number of suchcaste-Hindu officers.

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—(a) Two.

(b) Nil.

(c) Seven.

281. Mr. C. V. Kuriyan.—Will the Government be pleased to state the number of Christian officers in the Land Revenue Department who were drawing a salary of Rs. 100 and above during the administration of Sir J. W. Bhore;

(b) the number of such non-caste Hindu officers;

(c) the number of such caste-Hindu officers.

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—(a) One.

(b) Nil.

(c) Seven.

Plague Preventive Measures in Cochin.

282. Mr. A. B. Salem.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the total amount of money spent in Mattancheri and Ernakulam for combating plague, during the last four years;

(2) what are the number of cases of plague that occurred in Mattancheri and Ernakulam respectively during the same period;

(3) what materials have been ordered and from whom and at what prices, for use in the campaign to prevent plague;

(4) what amount have been spent in addition to Government money from Municipal funds of Mattancheri and Ernakulam;

(5) if there were any balances unspent from amounts sanctioned, how were these amounts spent or disposed of;

(6) what were the local works carried out and by what agency were they carried out, and what are the amounts spent for such works in the two towns for preventing plague;

(7) were these works ever used for the purpose for which they were put up, if not why not;

(8) what were the number of rats destroyed in Mattancheri and Ernakulam respectively;

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(9) what are the amounts spent in Mattancheri and Ernakulam in such destruction of rats?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—(1) Rs. 7,606—3—0.

(2) Ernakulam 3.
Mattancheri 14.

(3) 2 sprayers, from the Superintendent of Agriculture and Panchayats, Rs. 47—0—0.

Anti-plague vaccine with two outfits, from Haffkine Institute, Bombay, Rs. 757—13—0.

Rat traps, from T. A. Ponnu & Co., Rs. 284—0—0.

Rat traps, bought by Mattancheri Municipal Chairman, Rs. 523—5—0. Cost of poison, baits, etc., Rs. 655—10—0. Barium Carbonate was purchased from Dadha and Company.

(4) Nil.

(5) There was no unspent balance.

(6) Temporary shed in the General Hospital for rat examination Rs. 15.

Telephone connection Rs. 75 by Indian Post and Telegraph Department.

Plague camp in Palluruthy Rs. 242—3—8

This was carried out under the management of the Mattancheri Municipal Chairman.

(7) Items 1 and 2 were made use of almost every day. Item 3 was not made use of as no one took advantage of the facility so provided.

(8)	Mattancheri	3,214
	Ernakulam	1,990
	Total	5,204
(9)	Cost of traps	807—5—0
	Poison, baits, etc.	650—5—10
	Total	1,457—10—10

Extension to Dr. Verghese.

283. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state why the last extension was given to the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer; what was his exact age at the time of extension?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—That he might, as Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer, participate in the opening ceremony of the Adoor Leper Asylum. His age was 65 years 10 months and 12 days on 1st January 1931, his date of birth being 18th February 1865.

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